

skilled interrogator who frequently knew the answer to a question before he asked it.

"He was a good newsman," Hackett said. "He dug up more stuff. He'd pass tips on to me."

Mr. McKenna was in great demand as a master of ceremonies for community dinners, Hackett said, and his introductions would be a show in themselves.

"Before he got through," Hackett said, "he would have recognized everyone in the audience."

Mr. Charles Bakst, Journal-Bulletin political columnist, said: "He was a throwback to the days when radio coverage of the State House was an important part of the daily scene, and governors deferred to him, giving him extensive interviews and a seat of honor at press conferences."

"He was a big man who could get angry and sound tough, but who also had a playful, generous, patient side," Bakst said.

Mr. McKenna had served on the board of directors of the Associated Press Broadcasters Association, was a former international vice president of the Radio and Television News Directors Association, and was the first president of the Rhode Island Press Club.

In 1973, he caused a stir with a taped telephone interview with underworld informant Vincent "Big Vinnie" Teresa from a secret location. Teresa alleged that there was widespread corruption in the Providence Police Department, and said New England crime boss Raymond L.S. Patriarca had exerted influence on the department.

Mr. McKenna was chairman of the Traffic Safety Commission of Cranston for 20 years. He also served in numerous community organizations.

Besides his wife he leaves two daughters, Constance A. McKenna, and Deborah E.M. Brody, both of Cranston; a son, Robert W. McKenna of Warwick, and five grandchildren.

The funeral will be held Saturday at 8:30 a.m. from the Hoey Funeral Home, 168 Academy Ave., Providence, with a Mass of Christian Burial celebrated by Bishop Louis E. Gelineau at 10 at St. Matthew Church, Elmwood Avenue. Burial will be in Swan Point Cemetery in Providence.

WAS CONGRESS IRRESPONSIBLE? THE VOTERS HAVE SAID YES

Mr. HELMS. Mr. President, as I pointed out yesterday in this daily report—which I began 3 years ago—Federal debt has risen to astronomical proportions. As of the close of business yesterday, Monday, February 27, the Federal debt stood at \$4,839,489,402,270.31—or \$18,370.79 on a per capita basis.

Mr. President, anyone even remotely familiar with the U.S. Constitution knows that no President can spend a dime of Federal tax money that has not first been authorized and appropriated by Congress—both the House of Representatives and the U.S. Senate.

Mr. President, I am convinced today, as I was back in 1973, that it is the absolute responsibility and duty of Congress to control Federal spending. The U.S. Senate has a momentous challenge later today in lowering this enormous debt by approving a balanced budget amendment to the U.S. Constitution and sending it to the 50 States for ratification.

MESSAGES FROM THE PRESIDENT

Messages from the President of the United States were communicated to the Senate by Mr. Thomas, one of his secretaries.

EXECUTIVE MESSAGES REFERRED

As in executive session the Presiding Officer laid before the Senate messages from the President of the United States submitting sundry nominations which were referred to the appropriate committees.

(The nominations received today are printed at the end of the Senate proceedings.)

MESSAGES FROM THE HOUSE

At 3 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mr. Hays, one of its reading clerks, announced that the House has passed the following bill, without amendment:

S. 257. An act to amend the charter of the Veterans of Foreign Wars to make eligible for membership those veterans that have served within the territorial limits of South Korea.

EXECUTIVE AND OTHER COMMUNICATIONS

The following communications were laid before the Senate, together with accompanying papers, reports, and documents, which were referred as indicated:

EC-442. A communication from the Chairman of the Farm Credit Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of the 1995 salary structures; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-443. A communication from the Assistant Secretary of State (Legislative Affairs), transmitting, pursuant to law, the report on military expenditures for countries receiving U.S. assistance; to the Committee on Appropriations.

EC-444. A communication from the Under Secretary of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a violation of the Antideficiency Act, case number 94-2; to the Committee on Appropriations.

EC-445. A communication from the Secretary of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a violation of the Antideficiency Act; to the Committee on Appropriations.

EXECUTIVE REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

The following executive reports of committees were submitted:

By Mr. HELMS, from the Committee on Foreign Relations:

Herman E. Gallegos, of California, to be an Alternate Representative of the United States of America to the Forty-ninth Session of the General Assembly of the United Nations.

Lee C. Howley, of Ohio, to be a Representative of the United States of America to the Forty-ninth Session of the General Assembly of the United Nations.

Isabelle Leeds, of New York, to be an Alternate Representative of the United States of America to the Forty-ninth Session of the General Assembly of the United Nations.

Frank G. Wisner, of the District of Columbia, a Career Member of the Senior Foreign Service, Class of Career Minister, for the per-

sonal rank of Career Ambassador in recognition of especially distinguished service over a sustained period.

Robert E. Rubin, of New York, to be United States Governor of the International Monetary Fund for a term of five years; United States Governor of the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development for a term of five years; United States Governor of the Inter-American Development Bank for a term of five years; United States Governor of the African Development Bank for a term of five years; United States Governor of the Asian Development Bank; United States Governor of the African Development Fund; United States Governor of the European Bank for Reconstruction and Development.

Jeanette W. Hyde, of North Carolina, to serve concurrently and without additional compensation as Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the United States of America to Antigua and Barbuda, and as Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the United States of America to St. Kitts and Nevis, and as Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the United States of America to Grenada.

Nominee: Jeanette W. Hyde.

Post: Ambassador to Antigua and Barbuda to St. Kitts & Nevis, and to Grenada.

Contributions, Amount, Date, Donee.

1. Self, Jeanette W. Hyde's Federal Campaign Contributions: 1990-94:
 1. Price for Congress Committee—\$400 (1990).
 2. Gantt for Senate Committee—\$1,000 (1990).
 3. Gore for Senate Committee—\$1,000 (1990).
 4. Americans for Kerry Committee—\$250 (1991).
 5. David Price Reelection Committee—\$1,000 (1991).
 6. Committee to Reelect Terry Sanford—\$500 (1991).
 7. Gephardt for Congress Committee—\$250 (1991).
 8. Clayton for Congress Committee—\$500 (1992).
 9. David Price for Congress Committee—\$1,000 (1992).
 10. Committee to Reelect Terry Sanford—\$1500 (1992).
 11. Committee to Elect Bill Clinton President—\$1,000 (1992).
 12. Braun for Senate Committee—\$1,000 (1992).
 13. NC Democratic Campaign (Federal Account)—\$5,000 (1992).
 14. DNC Victory Fund (Finance Council Membership)—\$5,000 (1992).
 15. DNC Victory Fund—\$5,000 (1992).
 16. DSCC—\$200 (1992).
 17. Clayton for Congress Committee—\$150 (1993).
- Spouse, Wallace N. Hyde's Federal Campaign Contributions, 1990-94:
 1. David Price for Congress—\$500 (1990).
 2. Gantt for Senate Committee—\$1,000 (1990).
 3. Clark for Congress Committee—\$500 (1990).
 4. Democratic House and Senate Council—\$1,500 (1990).
 5. Gore for Senate Committee—\$1,000 (1990).
 6. Bill Clinton for President—\$250 (1991).
 7. David Price for Congress Committee—\$300 (1991).
 8. Clark for Congress Committee—\$400 (1991).
 9. Stevens for Congress Committee—\$300 (1991).
 10. Gephardt for Congress Committee—\$250 (1991).
 11. Democratic House and Senate Council—\$1,500 (1991).
 12. Bradley for Senate Committee—\$1,000 (1991).